



## A SNAPSHOT OF

# GEORGIA HIV/AIDS TAKE ACTION, KEEP EDUCATED (TAKE) PROJECT



### Overview

The Take Action, Keep Educated (TAKE) Project, in the Georgia Department of Community Health's (DCH) Office of Health Improvement (OHI), focuses on raising HIV/AIDS awareness and improving the continuum of HIV/AIDS treatment, care and prevention services for minority populations in Georgia.

### Mission of the Project

To reduce HIV/AIDS disparities in prevention and treatment among Georgia's minority populations.

### Project Goal

To create a more unified approach to addressing minority HIV/AIDS care and prevention issues at the state, county and local levels.

### Objectives of the TAKE Project

- To increase the awareness of HIV/AIDS disparities in Georgia's minority communities
- To build collaborations to address HIV/AIDS disparities in treatment, care and prevention services
- To increase, develop and improve the care service delivery capacity among minority and minority serving community-based organizations
- To inform Georgia's population that education and preventive actions are key to stopping the spread of HIV/AIDS

### TAKE Programs

#### Communities of Practice (CoP)

The CoP is comprised of public agencies, Hispanic/Latino and community and faith-based organizations. The goal is to strengthen, formalize and foster collaboration through shared knowledge and communication that has an impact upon the HIV/AIDS continuum of treatment, care and prevention services in Georgia.



### WHY TAKE ACTION, KEEP EDUCATED?

- Georgia ranks sixth in the nation in AIDS cases
- Minorities are more adversely affected by the disease
- Education and preventive actions are vital to stopping the spread of HIV/AIDS
- Quality care and treatment services can sustain a healthier life for people living with HIV/AIDS

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## **Project Stronger Together (PST)**

PST is a collaboration between the OHI HIV/AIDS TAKE Project and three community partners: AID Atlanta, Mary Hall Freedom House and Wholistic Stress Control Institute. PST provides technical assistance to increase, develop and improve the continuum of HIV/AIDS prevention, care and treatment service delivery capacity of minority community-based, minority-serving organizations in metropolitan Atlanta and surrounding areas.

## **TAKE in the Community**

- Communities of Practice
- Technical Assistance/Capacity Building Training (PST)
- HIV/AIDS Forums and Seminars
- HIV/AIDS Information Dissemination
- Community Health Fairs
- *Putting The Pieces Together* newsletter
- TAKE Project web site

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